IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.(Currently Amended) An electronic device, comprising:

a touch sensitive surface for inputting strokes forming at least one character;

a memory; and

code for interpreting ~~inputted~~ the strokes and storing the strokes in the memory in a vector graphics format;

~~code for displaying the at least one character on a display as a vector graphics message;~~

~~code for receiving a user input to signify that the vector graphics message is complete; and~~

~~code for adding a general vector graphics image to the vector graphics message~~ wherein the code stores the strokes representing the at least one character in the memory without carrying out

character recognition on the at least one character.

2.(Previously Presented)   An electronic device according to claim 1 further comprising an aerial and code for causing the electronic device to combine strokes representing a plurality of characters and to transmit the combined strokes as a message via the aerial over a mobile network.

3.(Previously Presented)   An electronic device according to claim 1 wherein the vector graphics format is the scalable vector graphics format.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

5.(Currently Amended)   An input method for an electronic device, including the acts of:

accepting on a touch sensitive surface at least one stroke forming at least one character;

encoding the strokes at least one stroke entered in a vector graphics format to form encoded strokes; and

storing the encoded strokes;

~~displaying the at least one character on a display as a vector~~ ~~graphics message;~~

~~receiving a user input to signify that the vector graphics~~ ~~message is complete; and~~

~~adding a general vector graphics image to the vector graphics~~ ~~message~~ <u>wherein the at least one stroke is recorded in a memory</u> <u>without carrying out character recognition on the at least one</u> <u>character</u>.

6. (Currently Amended)   A method according to claim 5 further comprising

combining the stored encoded strokes to make up a complete message in <u>the</u> vector graphics format;

encoding the complete message for transmission; and

transmitting the complete message over a mobile telephone network.

7. (Previously Presented)   A method according to claim 5 wherein the vector graphics format is the scalable vector graphics

format.

Claim 8 (Canceled)

9.(Currently Amended) A computer program product containing code for causing an electronic device to carry out the ~~steps~~ acts of ~~a~~ the method according to claim 5.

10.(Currently Amended) A computer program product recorded on a data carrier containing code for causing a mobile device to carry out the ~~steps~~ acts of:

accepting on a touch sensitive surface at least one stroke of text made up of at least one character;

encoding the ~~strokes~~ at least one stroke entered in a vector graphics format to form encoded strokes; and

storing the encoded strokes;

~~displaying the at least one character on a display;~~

~~receiving a user input to signify that the vector graphics message is complete; and~~

~~adding a general vector graphics image to the vector graphics~~

~~message~~ wherein the at least one stroke is recorded in a memory without carrying out character recognition on the at least one character.